

BERKELEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
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Official Minutes
June 16, 2021

President Ty Alper called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. He reported that the Board convened to Closed Session at 5:33pm.

Roll Call

Board of Education:

Ty Alper, President – Present

Ka'Dijah Brown, Vice President – Present

Julie Sinai, Director/Clerk – Present

Laura Babitt, Director – Present

Ana Vasudeo, Director -- Present

Administration:

Brent Stephens, Ed., D, Superintendent

Baje Thiara, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Pauline Follansbee, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Samantha Tobias-Espinosa, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Lyz Chairez, Recorder

OPEN SESSION

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda:

Brown/Sinai and unanimously approved 5-0.

REPORT CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Brown reported out on closed session:

Public Employment (Government Code Section 54957)

Director, State, Federal, and Special Projects

Motion to approve appointment of Liza Estupin as the Director of State, Federal and Special Projects:

Alper/Brown and unanimously approved 5-0.

Superintendent Evaluation (Government Code Section 54957)

The Board discussed. No action was taken.

Collective Bargaining - Government Code Section 54957.6(a) (District Negotiator:
Samantha Tobias-Espinosa

Berkeley Council of Classified Employees (BCCE)

The Board received an update and provided direction. No action was taken.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A total of two people addressed the Board:

Two comments making recommendations for use of COVID funds to support OFEE.

COMMITTEE COMMENT:

Members of the Parent Advisory Committee addressed the Board with its recommendations.

BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

The Superintendent and members of the Board provided individual comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar:
Babitt/Sinai and approved unanimously 5-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update on Draft Superintendent's African American Success Framework

Superintendent Stephens and Robyn Fisher provided an update on progress to date to develop a draft African American Success Framework for BUSD

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of 21-22 Budget Priorities for the Unrestricted General Fund and One-Time Revenue

Assistant Superintendent Pauline Follansbee presented General Fund priorities reflective of the Board's input during its discussion at the June 9 meeting.

Motion to approve:

Alper/Sinai and approved 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing on the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) at 8:00pm. (Note: This means that the hearing will begin no earlier than 8:00 PM but may begin later than this time.)

President Alper opened hearing at 9:38pm closed at 9:46pm

One comment asking that input for use of one-time revenue be solicited from families with students with disabilities

President Alper closed this public hearing at 9:46pm.

Public Hearing for the 2021-22 Preliminary Budget at 8:00pm. (Note: This means that the hearing will begin no earlier than 8:00 PM but may begin later than this time.)

President Alper opened this public hearing at 9:46pm.

No one came forward.

Hearing Closed at 9:47pm.

ADJOURNMENT
10PM